PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: O77322

Ryosuke KURIBAYASHI

Appln, No.: 10/773,339

Group Art Unit: 2613

Confirmation No.: 6498

Examiner: Dalzid E. SINGH

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For: OPTICAL SIGNAL REGENERATIVE REPEATER, OPTICAL GATE CONTROL

METHOD, AND OPTICAL SIGNAL REGENERATION METHOD

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Final Office Action dated May 9, 2008 to November 9, 2008. Because November 9, 2008 falls on a Sunday, this filing on Monday, November 10, 2008 is considered timely.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$1110.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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